

# The Relation between Hein's Construction of Lie Algebras and the Construction of Lie Algebras from Symplectic Triple Systems

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**Introduction.** Let  $\mathfrak{R}$  be a triple system,  $\mathfrak{J}$  be a Jordan algebra with unit element and  $\mathfrak{X} = \mathfrak{J} \oplus \mathfrak{R}$  be a triple system such that these satisfy some certain conditions (see §1, §2). From these, W. Hein, in [3], has constructed a Lie algebra of the form

$$\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{X}) = L(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{X}) \oplus \mathfrak{J} \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{J}} \oplus \mathfrak{R} \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{R}},$$

that is a vector space direct sum with a suitable Lie product (cf. [3], p. 81), where  $\bar{\mathfrak{J}}$  (resp.  $\bar{\mathfrak{R}}$ ) is an isomorphic copy of  $\mathfrak{J}$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{R}$ ), (see §2 for the definition of  $L(\mathfrak{X}, \mathfrak{X})$ ).

On the other hand, from a symplectic triple system  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  over a field  $K$ , K. Yamaguti and H. Asano, in [6], have constructed a Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{R}_1)$  as follows. First, they construct the Lie triple system  $\mathfrak{X}_1 = \mathfrak{R}_1 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{R}}_1$  associated with  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  where  $\bar{\mathfrak{R}}_1$  is another copy of  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  (cf. [6]). Let  $\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1)$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{X}_1)$ ) be the Lie algebra of inner derivations of  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  (resp.  $\mathfrak{X}_1$ ) (cf. §1). Using the fact that

$$\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{X}_1) = \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1) \oplus KU \oplus KV \oplus KW,$$

where  $U, V, W$  are the special inner derivations of  $\mathfrak{X}_1$  (cf. [6]), we see that the standard enveloping Lie algebra of  $\mathfrak{X}_1$  is of the form

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{R}_1) &= \mathfrak{X}_1 \oplus \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{X}_1) \\ &= \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1) \oplus \mathfrak{R}_1 \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{R}}_1 \oplus KU \oplus KV \oplus KW. \end{aligned}$$

In the above situation, let  $\mathfrak{J}$  be the one-dimensional Jordan algebra  $Ke$ . Then examining the relation between a triple system  $\mathfrak{R}$  in Hein's definition and a symplectic triple system  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  we can find that there is a 1:1 correspondence between the class of  $\mathfrak{R}$  and the class of  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  (see Lemma 1 and 2) and that  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{X})$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{R}_1)$  (see Theorem).

Throughout the paper, we assume that any vector space considered is finite-dimensional and the characteristic of the base field is different from 2 or 3.

**§1.** Let  $V$  be a vector space over a field  $K$  with a trilinear map  $V \times V \times V \rightarrow V: (a, b, c) \mapsto [abc] \in V$ . Then  $(V, [\ ])$  is called a *triple system over  $K$* .

**Definition 1.** (Yamaguti-Asano [6]). Let  $\mathfrak{R}_1 = (V, [\ ])$  be a triple system with a non-zero skew symmetric bilinear form  $\alpha$  satisfying the following identities for any  $a, b, c, d, g \in V$ :

- (S 1)  $[abc] = [bac]$ ,
- (S 2)  $[abc] = [acb] = \alpha(a, c)b - \alpha(a, b)c + 2\alpha(b, c)a$ ,
- (S 3)  $[ab[cdg]] = [[abc]dg] + [c[abd]g] + [cd[abg]]$ .

Then  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  is called a *symplectic triple system*.

**Definition 2** (Hein [3]). Let  $\mathfrak{J}$  be a Jordan algebra with unit element  $e$ ,  $\mathfrak{R} = (V, \langle \rangle)$  be a triple system,  $(\sigma, V)$  be a special unital representation of  $\mathfrak{J}$ , and  $f$  be a non-zero skew symmetric bilinear mapping from  $V \times V$  to  $\mathfrak{J}$ . Then a situation  $\mathfrak{J}, \mathfrak{R}, f, \sigma$  is called *admissible* if the following identities hold for  $a, b, c, d \in \mathfrak{R}$  and  $x \in \mathfrak{J}$ :

- (F)  $2xf(a, b) = f(\sigma(x)a, b) + f(a, \sigma(x)b)$ ,
- (L 1)  $[L(a, b), L(c, d)] = L(L(a, b)c, d) + L(c, L(b, a)d)$ ,
- (L 2)  $\langle abc \rangle - \langle cba \rangle = \langle cab \rangle - \langle acb \rangle$ ,
- (V 1)  $[\sigma(x), L(a, b)] = L(\sigma(x)a, b) - L(a, \sigma(x)b)$ ,
- (V 2)  $L(a, b) - L(b, a) = \sigma(f(a, b))$ ,
- (V 3)  $f(\langle abc \rangle, d) + f(c, \langle abd \rangle) = f(a, \sigma(f(c, d))b)$ ,

where  $L(a, b)$  is the endomorphism of  $V$  defined by  $L(a, b)c := \langle abc \rangle$ .

In other words the pair  $(\mathfrak{J}, \mathfrak{R})$  is called a  $\mathfrak{J}$ -ternary algebra with a skew form  $f$  (cf. [4]).

**LEMMA 1.** Let a symplectic triple system  $\mathfrak{R}_1 = (V, [\ ])$  over a field  $K$  with a skew symmetric bilinear form  $\alpha$  be given. Using unit element  $e$  of  $K$  we may regard  $K$  as the one-dimensional Jordan algebra  $Ke$ . Put  $f(a, b) := -2\alpha(a, b)$  and also  $\langle abc \rangle := [abc] - \alpha(a, b)c$ . Let  $\sigma$  be the linear mapping from  $K$  to  $\text{End}_K(V)$  such that  $\sigma(e) = I$  (the identity endomorphism of  $V$ ). Then a situation  $Ke, \mathfrak{R} = (V, \langle \rangle)$ ,  $f, \sigma$  is admissible.

**LEMMA 2.** Conversely, let an admissible situation  $\mathfrak{J}, \mathfrak{R} = (V, \langle \rangle)$ ,  $f, \sigma$  be given, in which  $\mathfrak{J}$  is the one-dimensional Jordan algebra  $Ke$ . Put  $\alpha(a, b) = -(1/2)f(a, b)$  and  $[abc] := \langle abc \rangle + \alpha(a, b)$ . Then  $\mathfrak{R}_1 = (V, [\ ])$  with  $\alpha$  is a symplectic triple system.

For any triple system  $\mathfrak{T} = (V, \{ \})$ , an endomorphism  $D$  of  $V$  is called a derivation of  $\mathfrak{T}$  if  $D\{abc\} = \{(Da)bc\} + \{a(Db)c\} + \{ab(Dc)\}$ . Let  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{T})$  denote the set of all derivations of  $\mathfrak{T}$  then  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{T})$  becomes a Lie algebra. Let  $L(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T})$  be the vector space spanned by all  $L(a, b)$  for  $a, b \in \mathfrak{T}$  then the set  $\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{T}) = L(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}) \cap \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{T})$  is called the *Lie algebra of inner derivations* of  $\mathfrak{T}$ . From now on we assume that  $\mathfrak{R}$  corresponds to  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  as in Lemma 1 and Lemma 2.

LEMMA 3. (i) For any  $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{R}_1)$ ,  $\alpha(Da, b) + \alpha(a, Db) = 0$ .

(ii) For any  $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{R})$ ,  $\alpha(Da, b) + \alpha(a, Db) = 0$ .

*Proof of (i).* Applying  $D \in \mathfrak{D}(k)$  to the identity (S 2) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & [(Da)bc] + [a(Db)c] + [ab(Dc)] - [(Da)cb] - [a(Dc)b] - [ac(Db)] \\ & = \alpha(a, c)Db - \alpha(a, b)Dc + 2\alpha(b, c)Da. \end{aligned}$$

Using (S 2) and putting  $c=a$ , we obtain

$$\alpha(b, Da) + \alpha(Db, a) = 0 \quad \text{for any } a, b \in \mathfrak{R}_1.$$

*Proof of (ii).* From (L 2), (S 1) and the relation between  $\mathfrak{R}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_1$ , we obtain

$$(1) \quad \langle abc \rangle - \langle cba \rangle = 2\alpha(a, c)b.$$

Applying  $D \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{R})$  to the above identity (1), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle (Da)bc \rangle + \langle a(Db)c \rangle + \langle ab(Dc) \rangle - \langle (Dc)ba \rangle - \langle c(Db)a \rangle - \langle cb(Da) \rangle \\ & = 2\alpha(a, c)Db. \end{aligned}$$

Using (1) we have  $\alpha(Da, c) + \alpha(a, Dc) = 0$  for any  $a, c \in \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{R})$ .

From the relation between  $\mathfrak{R}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & D\langle abc \rangle - \langle (Da)bc \rangle - \langle a(Db)c \rangle - \langle ab(Dc) \rangle \\ & = D[abc] - [(Da)bc] - [a(Db)c] - [ab(Dc)] + \alpha(Da, b)c + \alpha(a, Db)c \end{aligned}$$

for any endomorphism  $D$  of  $V$ . Using Lemma 3 we have the following

LEMMA 4.  $\mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{R}) = \mathfrak{D}(\mathfrak{R}_1)$ .

From now on, let  $L(a, b)$  (resp.  $L_1(a, b)$ ) denote the endomorphism of  $V$  defined by  $L(a, b)c := \langle abc \rangle$  (resp.  $L_1(a, b)c := [abc]$ ). Then we have

$$(2) \quad L(a, b) = L_1(a, b) - \alpha(a, b)I.$$

For  $a, b \in V$ , we define the endomorphism  $D(a, b)$  of  $V$  by

$$(3) \quad D(a, b) := -\frac{1}{2}(L(a, b) + L(b, a)),$$

then using (S 1) and (2) we obtain

$$(4) \quad D(a, b) = -L_1(a, b)$$

for  $a, b \in V$ . Let  $D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$  be the vector space spanned by all  $D(a, b)$  for  $a, b \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Then (3) and (4) imply  $\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1) = D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) \subset \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R})$ . Using the fact that  $\alpha$  is not a zero form, we have the following

LEMMA 5. (i)  $L(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) = D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) \oplus KI$ .

(ii)  $D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) = \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R})$ .

(iii)  $\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}) = \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1)$ .

*Proof.* From (2) and (S 1) we obtain

$$(5) \quad \alpha(a, b)I = -\frac{1}{2}(L(a, b) - L(b, a)).$$

Using (3) and (5) we get  $L(a, b) = -D(a, b) - \alpha(a, b)I$ . Hence  $L(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$  is the vector space sum of  $D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$  and  $KI$ . Since  $I$  is not a derivation, this sum is direct and then (ii) and (iii) are also clear.

§2. Let an admissible situation  $\mathfrak{S}, \mathfrak{R}, f, \sigma$  be given. In [3], W. Hein has made the triple system  $\mathfrak{T}$ , which is the vector space direct sum of  $\mathfrak{S}$  and  $\mathfrak{R}$ , as follows. For  $x, y, z \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $a, b, c \in \mathfrak{R}$  we put  $\{xyz\} := (xy)z + x(yz) - y(xz)$ , denote the product in  $\mathfrak{R}$  by  $\langle \rangle$  and define

$$\begin{aligned} \{xy(z+c)\} &:= \{xyz\} - \frac{1}{2}\sigma(y)\sigma(x)c, \\ \{ab(z+c)\} &:= -f(\sigma(x)a, b) + \langle abc \rangle, \\ \{xb(z+c)\} &:= \{ay(z+c)\} := 0. \end{aligned}$$

Put  $L(x) := L(x, e)$  for  $x \in \mathfrak{S}$ , where  $L(u, v)w := \{uvw\}$  for  $u, v, w \in \mathfrak{T}$ . Then we obtain  $L(x) = xy$  and  $L(x)a = -(1/2)\sigma(x)a$  for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $a \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Moreover,

$$(6) \quad L(x, y) = L(xy) + [L(x), L(y)],$$

$$(7) \quad L(a, b) - L(b, a) = -2L(f(a, b)),$$

for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $a, b \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Next we define a bilinear mapping  $D': \mathfrak{T} \times \mathfrak{T} \rightarrow \text{End}_K(\mathfrak{T})$  by

$$\begin{aligned} D'(x, y) &:= \frac{1}{2}(L(x, y) - L(y, x)), \\ D'(a, b) &:= -\frac{1}{2}(L(a, b) + L(b, a)), \\ D'(x, a) &:= D'(a, x) := 0 \end{aligned}$$

for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $a, b \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Using (6) and (7) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L(x, y) &= L(xy) + D'(x, y), \\ L(a, b) &= -L(f(a, b)) - D'(a, b) \end{aligned}$$

for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $a, b \in \mathfrak{R}$ . Hence  $L(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T})$  is the vector space sum of  $L(\mathfrak{S})$  and  $D'(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T})$ , where  $D'(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T})$  is the Lie algebra of inner derivations of  $\mathfrak{T}$  (cf. [3] p. 86). This sum is direct since  $D'(x+a, y+b)e = 0$  for any  $x, y \in \mathfrak{S}$  and  $a, b \in \mathfrak{R}$ .

In case  $\mathfrak{S} = Ke$ , it is clear that  $\mathfrak{T} = Ke \oplus \mathfrak{R}$  and  $L(\mathfrak{T}, \mathfrak{T}) = KL(e) + D'(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$ . Since any derivation  $D' \in D'(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$  maps  $Ke$  into 0 and  $\mathfrak{R}$  into  $\mathfrak{R}$ ,  $D'|_{\mathfrak{R}}$  which is the restriction of  $D'$  to  $\mathfrak{R}$  belongs to  $D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$ . Then the restriction map  $D' \rightarrow D'|_{\mathfrak{R}}$  is a Lie isomorphism of  $D'(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$  onto

$D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$ . Since  $-2L(e)$  is the identity endomorphism on  $\mathfrak{R}$  and maps  $Ke$  into  $Ke$ , the linear mapping  $\varphi$  defined by  $\varphi(D')=D'|_{\mathfrak{R}}$  and  $\varphi(-2L(e))=I$  is a Lie isomorphism of  $D'(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) \oplus KL(e)$  onto  $D(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) \oplus KI$ .

**THEOREM.** *The Lie algebra constructed from an admissible situation  $Ke, \mathfrak{R}, f, \sigma$  is as follows:*

$$\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{X}) = Ke \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{R}} \oplus KL(e) \oplus D'(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R}) \oplus \mathfrak{R} \oplus K\bar{e}.$$

*On the other hand, the Lie algebra constructed from a symplectic triple system is as follows:*

$$\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{R}_1) = KW \oplus \bar{\mathfrak{R}}_1 \oplus KU \oplus \mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1) \oplus \mathfrak{R}_1 \oplus KV.$$

*Then  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{X})$  is isomorphic to  $\mathfrak{G}(\mathfrak{R}_1)$  under the linear mapping  $\varphi$  defined by*

$$\varphi(e) = W, \quad \varphi(\bar{e}) = V, \quad \varphi(-2L(e)) = U,$$

*$\varphi$  is the restriction map of  $D'(\mathfrak{R}, \mathfrak{R})$  onto  $\mathfrak{D}_0(\mathfrak{R}_1)$ ,*

*$\varphi$  is the identity mapping from  $\mathfrak{R}$  onto  $\mathfrak{R}_1$  which induces the linear mapping from  $\bar{\mathfrak{R}}$  onto  $\bar{\mathfrak{R}}_1$ .*

**Remark.** To verify that  $\varphi$  is a Lie homomorphism, compare both the Lie products in [2] and [3].

Since it is shown in [2] that each simple Lie algebra (except  $A_1$ ) over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0 can be constructed from a symplectic triple system, we have the following

**COROLLARY.** *Each simple Lie algebra (except  $A_1$ ) over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0 can be constructed from an admissible situation.*

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